

17<sup>th</sup> February, 2026

# PRESTON RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTON RICHARD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ENDMOOR VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Cllrs Present:** Cllrs. M Smith (Chair), A. Atkinson, S Parr, I Park, K. Dos Santos, and Mrs A Park (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Cllrs R Toon, G Galbraith, D Inman, Unitary Cllr Mrs J Battye

**103.25 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – None**

**104.25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None**

**105.25 MINUTES –** The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed as a true and accurate record

**106.25 OPEN SESSION –**

The Clerk advised several complaints had been received concerning the junction of Gatebeck Lane with the A65 as several cars are parking there causing a safety issue when exiting Gatebeck Lane. The Clerk advised she had been in touch with the police who will monitor the site and contact the owners of the vehicles to ask them to desist from parking there.

**107.25 UNITARY COUNCIL MATTERS –**

Cllr Battye was unable to attend but sent the following report.

I went to workshop which was considering the contract for Electric Vehicle charging points and the W&F Council is currently checking sites across the area. I suggested that they look at the village hall in Endmoor and will inform you when I know more

Local Plan: While there's a lot of background work going on, the assessment process won't really start until later this year (and will take 30 months to complete). W&F are being required to find sites for 1,330 houses/year and the sites put forward so far won't be enough therefore there's a second "call for sites" underway at present.

Highways: I've talked with Highways and hope to arrange a meeting for the Parish Council with them after Easter. They will be offering dates.

**108.25 HIGHWAYS –** The Clerk advised she has not as yet had a meaningful response regarding a meeting but still hoping to finalise a date with them.

**109.25 POLICE –** The clerk advised no local reports found on media for our area, [Home | Cumbria Police](#) and Facebook page [south lakes police - search results | Facebook](#) The Clerk advised there was little to report other than the Police are currently holding a PACT asking the public to advise them of any concerns they have in their area. Details can be found on their Facebook Page

**110.25 PLAYING FIELD/VILLAGE HALL –**

- The Chair advised the annual tree inspection work has been carried
- L&W Wilson have inspected the playing field as there has been some flooding there and we are awaiting their report.
- The Playground inspection will be carried out by Cllrs Smith & Park this month

**111.25 CAROLS ROUND THE TREE –** Cllr Dos Santos advised the meeting that after the last get together had to be postponed due to the weather she had been in touch with the Club Inn and they have agreed that should the weather be bad in the future the event would go ahead and be moved to the Club Inn for that day.

**112.25 SPEEDWATCH –** Cllr Parr advised the Gatebeck Road SID is working well at the moment. He advised few Speedwatch session had taken place due to the adverse weather but he was heartened to have receive an enquiry from the police to check if everything was okay. The main street SID had not been functioning properly due to the solar panel moving but this has been rectified and he will charge the battery when received from Cllr Park. Cllr Park will also repair the Speedwatch sign at the south end of the village.

**113.25 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR INPUT & DECISIONS –**

All applications and decisions which can be viewed on [Quick Search | Westmorland & Furness Council \(westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk\)](https://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk)

**NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS –**

2026/0048/HOU - 2 Eskrigg Lane Endmoor - Proposed single storey side extension – no comments received

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISIONS –**

**2025/2241/FPA** - Land East of Milton Lane Crooklands – Erection of timber stable block with ancillary hard standing and much trailer for private use.

**PLANNING NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED:** - None

**APPEALS AGAINST DECISIONS**

2025/1855/APP Ikan Ltd Old Smithy Stores Main Street Endmoor LA8 0EU - Advertisement Consent for an internally illuminated sign (Retrospective)

**114.25 FINANCE –**

Paid between meetings:

Cumbria Tree Survey £350	Cumbria Community Appeal £50
Inside Out Services £50	Wages & Expenses (Dec) £889.64
HMRC Tax & NI £315.45	

**Payments received –** None

**Transfers between a/c –** 23/01/26 £3K from Dep to current account

**Next Meeting– 16th March 2026**

**Meeting closed 8.10pm**